

Listing of Claims:

1. - 44. (Canceled)

45. (Currently amended) A method of providing an identification of a musical piece to a person listening with a first radio receiver to a radio station which is playing the musical piece in a radio broadcast, said method comprising the steps of:

~~(a) providing a data base storing data for identifying musical pieces;~~

~~(b)(a) receiving a telephone message describing the musical piece containing at least at a first location, wherein~~

~~the telephone message includes a portion of the musical piece which has been received by the receiver and identifying designates a receiving location other than the first location to which identification of the musical piece is to be sent, and~~

~~the telephone message is initiated at the location of the first radio receiver and after the portion of the musical piece is played in the radio broadcast;~~

~~(c)(b) interrogating a data base storing data for identifying musical pieces, said interrogating including~~

~~(b1) the data base to identify the musical piece by comparing the received at least a portion of the musical piece with musical pieces stored in the data base, and~~

~~(b2) to identifying the music musical piece heard by the person in the database based on the comparison of (b1); and~~

~~(d)(c) sending to the identified designated receiving location a message including the identification of the musical piece obtained in (b2).~~

46.-47. (Canceled)

48. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in claim 45, ~~wherein step (b)~~ comprises comprising:

~~(d) receiving a second telephone message at the first location, wherein the second telephone message~~

~~identifying the a radio station and,~~
~~identifies the a time that the identified radio station played the a second musical~~
~~piece, and~~
~~designates a location; and step (c) comprises~~
~~(c) interrogating a play list stored in the data base for the identified radio station stored in~~
~~the data base; and~~
~~(f) sending to the location designated in (d) a message including an identification of the~~
~~second musical piece.~~

49. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in claim 45, wherein step (b)
comprises comprising:
~~(d) receiving a second telephone message at the first location, wherein the second~~
~~telephone message~~
~~identifying the a radio station while the that radio station is playing the a~~
~~second musical piece, and~~
~~designates a location; and step (e) comprises~~
~~(c) tuning a second radio receiver to the identified radio station;~~
~~(f) receiving the a radio broadcast from the identified radio station while the second~~
~~musical piece is being played;~~
~~(g) interrogating the data base, said interrogating including~~
~~(g1) comparing the radio broadcast received by the second radio receiver with~~
~~musical pieces stored in the data base, and~~
~~(g2) identifying the second musical piece based on the comparison of (g1); and~~
~~(h) sending to the location designated in (d) a message including the identification of the~~
~~second musical piece obtained in (g2).~~

50. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in claim 45, wherein step (d)(c)
comprises sending the message to an identified designated telephone.

51. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in claim 45, wherein ~~step (d)(c)~~ comprises sending the message to an ~~identified~~ designated electronic mail address.

52. (Currently amended) A method as claimed in claim 45, wherein ~~step (b)(a)~~ includes receiving a telephone message ordering a copy of the musical piece; and said method further comprises the step of:
~~(e)(d)~~ sending an order for the musical piece to an order shipping center.

53. (Currently amended) A system for providing an identification of a musical piece to a person listening with a first radio receiver to a radio station which is playing the musical piece in a radio broadcast, said system comprising:

~~a first telephone for receiving a message describing the musical piece which has been received by the receiver that has been played in a radio broadcast on a radio station including at least a portion of the musical piece, and identifying a receiving location to which identification of the musical piece is to be sent;~~

~~.....a data base storing data for identifying musical pieces played by a plurality of radio stations;~~

~~a music identification unit configured to responsive to the description of the musical piece including at least a portion of the musical piece in the received telephone message for locating locate data in said data base identifying the musical piece in response to receipt via a first telephone of a message initiated at a location of the first radio receiver, the received message including a portion of the musical piece and being initiated after the portion of the musical piece has been played in the radio broadcast, the received message further designating a location to which identification of the musical piece is to be sent, the designated location being different than the location of the first telephone; and~~

~~means for transmitting to the designated location to the identified receiving location a message identifying the musical piece.~~

54. (Currently amended) A system as claimed in claim 53, wherein said music identification unit ~~is configured to compare~~compares the ~~portion of the~~ musical piece with data stored in said data base.

55. (Currently amended) A system as claimed in claim 53, wherein said music identification unit ~~is further configured to compare~~compares the ~~a~~ time an identified radio station played ~~the a second~~ musical piece with a play list for ~~the that~~ identified radio station to identify the ~~second~~ musical piece.

56. (Currently amended) A system as claimed in claim 53, wherein said music identification unit ~~is further configured, in response to receipt of another message via the first telephone identifying responsive to identification of a radio station then playing the a second musical piece, to tune for tuning the a second~~ radio receiver to the ~~that~~ identified radio station to receive ~~the at least a portion of the second musical piece and to compare~~comparing the ~~received at least a portion of the musical piece~~received on the second radio receiver with musical pieces stored in the data base.

57. (Original) A system as claimed in claim 53, wherein said transmitting means comprises a second telephone.

58. (Original) A system as claimed in claim 53, wherein said transmitting means comprises means for transmitting the message by electronic mail.

59. (Original) A system as claimed in claim 53, further comprising means for sending an order for a copy of the musical piece to an order shipping center.

60. (Currently amended) A method of ~~providing obtaining~~ an identification of a broadcast piece of information ~~to by~~ a person receiving the broadcast, said method comprising the steps of:

(a) ~~receiving with a first receiver, the broadcast piece of information with a first receiver,~~
~~with the first receiver storing at least a part of the broadcast piece of information;~~

(b) ~~sending a first message from a location of the first receiver containing at least a~~
~~portion of the broadcast piece of information received and stored with the first receiver to a~~
~~centralized information identification location having a data base storing data for identifying~~
~~pieces of information, wherein the first message includes a portion of the broadcast piece of~~
~~information received and stored with the first receiver, and wherein the first message further~~
~~identifies a location other than the centralized information identification location to which~~
~~identification of the musical piece is to be sent; and~~

(c) ~~receiving a second message, wherein~~
~~the second message identifies the broadcast piece of information, and~~
~~the identification of the broadcast piece of information is based upon a~~
~~comparison of comparing at least the portion of the broadcast piece of information sent in the~~
~~message of (b) with pieces of information stored in the data base at the centralized information~~
~~identification location; and~~

~~(d) identifying the piece of information on the basis of the comparison.~~

61. (Currently amended) A system for providing an identification of a broadcast piece of information to a person receiving the broadcast, said system comprising:

a receiver ~~for receiving that receives~~ the broadcast piece of information, ~~storing that stores~~
the broadcast piece of information and ~~that provides providing~~ a signal reproducing the broadcast piece of information;

first message transmitting means for transmitting a first message ~~describing the piece of~~
~~information including at least a portion of the broadcast piece of information received and stored~~
with the receiver; and

a centralized information identification location, including:

means for receiving a message ~~from the first message transmitting means;~~

a data base storing data for identifying pieces of information broadcast by a plurality of broadcasting stations; and

~~an information identification unit configured, in response to a received message, to, responsive to the description of the broadcast piece of information including the at least a portion of the piece of information in the received first message for locating locate data in said data base identifying the broadcast piece of information and to transmit a message including said identification to a designated location, wherein~~

~~the received message includes a portion of the broadcast piece of information and is initiated after the receiver has received the portion of the broadcast piece of information, and~~

~~the received message designates the designated location.~~

62.-63. (Canceled)

64. (Currently amended) ~~An identification unit in~~ a system for providing an identification of a broadcast piece of information to a person receiving the broadcast, ~~the system including a receiver for receiving that receives the broadcast piece of information and providing provides a signal reproducing the broadcast piece of information, the system further including first message transmitting means for transmitting a first message describing the broadcast piece of information and including at least a portion of the broadcast piece of information received with the receiver an identification unit, the identification unit comprising:~~

a centralized information identification location, including means for receiving the first message, a data base storing data for identifying pieces of information broadcast by a plurality of broadcasting stations, and an information identification unit, ~~responsive to the description of the broadcast piece of information including the at least a portion of the piece of information in the received first message for locating data in said data base identifying the broadcast piece of information, configured, in response to receipt of the first message, to locate data in said data base data identifying the broadcast piece of information and to transmit a message including an identification based on said located data to a designated location, wherein~~

~~the first message includes a portion of the broadcast piece of information, and~~

~~the first message designates the designated location.~~

65. (Previously Presented) An identification unit according to claim 64 wherein:
the receiver stores the broadcast piece of information and the first message includes at least a portion of the broadcast piece of information stored with the receiver.

66. (New) A method of providing an identification of a musical piece to a person listening with a radio receiver to a radio station which is playing the musical piece, said method comprising:

(a) receiving a telephone message that includes a portion of the musical piece and that is initiated at a location of the radio receiver and after the portion of the musical piece is played by the radio station;

(b) in response to (a), interrogating a data base storing data for identifying musical pieces, said database and said radio receiver being at different locations, said interrogating including

(b1) comparing the received portion of the musical piece with musical pieces stored in the data base, and

(b2) identifying the musical piece heard by the person based on the comparison of (b1); and

(c) sending a message including the identification of the musical piece obtained in (b2).